



PATENT  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Gareth Hougham  
Serial Number : 09/809,440  
Filing Date : March 15, 2001  
Examiner : Monica A. Fontaine.  
Group Art Unit : 1732  
For : POST CURE HARDENING OF  
SILOXANE STAMPS FOR  
MICROCONTACT PRINTING

TO: The Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

In response to the Advisory Action dated May 17, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS :

Claims 1, 2, 4, 7, 9, 10 as amended by Applicant in the amendment after final. Please amend these claims in this case as found in the Appendix attached hereto.

Claims 2, 3, 5 and 6 have been cancelled.